Subject No. 89.
Wanted a standard for Talavar Miras.

Summary of discussion.—There should be one standard of miras payable to Talvars by raiyats.

Dewan's reply.—Do the raiyats all agree to pay miras to Talavars?

Mr. Nanjunda Rao (Representative from Davangere Taluk.) The raiyats do not agree. If necessary, the Deputy Commissioner may be asked to report. The system does not exist in the Bombay Presidency, and should not be made applicable to Mysore, where the Bombay system of settlements prevails.

Dewan's reply.—But the Madras and Bombay Presidencies have separate cesses. Whereas in Mysore, the mirasi system is in force. The subject will be considered and dealt with. (*Vide* Subjects Nos. 56, 131 and 163 of the Dasara Representative Assembly Proceedings for 1890).

Subject No. 90.
Reduction of license fee on Salt pans.

Summary of discussion.—The license fee per salt pan in the Chitaldroog Taluk is Rs. 20. This is too high and should be reduced to Rs. 10.

The Deputy Commissioner remarked that this rate of Rs. 20 is in force throughout the District, and in reply to an inquiry from the Dewan, stated that the license fee was not fixed by competition.

Dewan's reply.—No reason is explained for the reduction asked for. Under the orders of February 1880 (page 131 of the Revenue Manual) the license fee is to be fixed by the Deputy Commissioner, with reference to the productiveness of the locality. This is best ascertained under a system of competition at auction or by tenders, as was ordered for the Kolar District. The subject will be further considered.

Subject No. 91.
Increase of Munsiffs' Jurisdiction.

Summary of discussion.—The jurisdiction of Munsiffs should be raised so as to enable them to dispose of suits involving claims up to Rs. 2,000.

Dewan's reply.—The subject of raising the jurisdiction of Munsiffs where necessary will be considered. *Vide* also reply given to a similar representation from the Kadur District (see Subjects Nos. 84 and 115).

Subject No. 92.
Chitaldroog Town water-supply.

Summary of discussion.—Iron pipes should be laid from the tank in the rock of Chitaldroog to the town for the supply of water. It will cost Rs. 25,000. The Government should lend this amount to the Municipality, and recover the debt by yearly instalments of Rs. 500. Some lands along the margin of the channel from the tank in the Chitaldroog rock to the town, have been given out for cultivation. Their cultivation pollutes the water. The lands should be resumed.

Dewan's reply.—Proposals on these subjects are now under the consideration of Government.

Subject No. 93.

Irrigation cess on land irrigated from private wells.

Summary of discussion.—At the Survey Settlement, an irrigation cess of one anna per rupee of assessment was imposed on lands irrigated from private wells. This is wrong. The cess should be remitted.

Dewan's reply.—This was represented last year and relief was promised (see Subjects Nos. 105 and 188 of last year's Proceedings). Information has been called for from Districts and is awaited. The cess in such cases will be remitted.

Subject No. 94.

Khatedar's consent in cases of sub-divisions of fields.

Summary of discussion.—When the co-sharers and the khatedar disagree the land is not now sub-divided at the request of the co-sharers, but the Revenue authorities ask for the consent of the khatedars and if they be unwilling refer the parties to a Civil Court. This should not be. The Revenue authorities should enquire into each dispute and decide it on its merits.

Dewan's reply.—Land cannot be allowed to be sub-divided without the khatedar's consent.

Subject No. 95.

Applications for sub-division of fields should be disposed of by Amildars.

Summary of discussion.—Applications for Phod are now submitted to the Deputy Commissioner by the Amildar for orders. This causes delay. The Amildars should be empowered to dispose of such applications.

Dewan's reply.—I am afraid this cannot be done.

Subject No. 96.

Local Fund Grants-in-aid for village improvements.

Summary of discussion.—The large villages of this Taluk have no Municipalities. Their drains and roads are neglected. Appropriate sums from Local Funds should be devoted for their improvement, and particularly for the excavation of wells for drinking water-supply where they do not exist.

Dewan's reply.—This can be done to a limited extent under rules which are under consideration.

Subject No. 97.

Revision of Potgi of Shanbhogs and Patels.

Summary of discussion.—Five years have elapsed since the last settlement of the Potgi. The revenue has increased during this time. Potgi should be revised and increased in proportion to the revenue.

Dewan's reply.—Yes, in due course.

Subject No. 98.

Free licenses required for Malnad timber.

Summary of discussion.—Free licenses are granted under the rules to Maidan agriculturists to cut timber in Malnad jungles. But the Amildars of Taluks in which these jungles are situated raise difficulties. Redress is required.

Dewan's reply.—Represent individual cases by petition, and they shall receive attention.

Subject No. 99.

Trees on strips of land forming boundaries of fields.

Summary of discussion.—Raiyats need not apply for permission to remove jali and other jungle trees growing on the boundary line of their fields. No restraint should be placed on them in removing these trees which are their property.